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GAS **POISONING**



PREVENTION

- Avoid fires in enclosed spaces
- Avoid exposure to known poisonous gases or vapours
- Wear appropriate respiratory protection when working in harmful gas and vapour environments



SIGNS AND SYMPTOMS

Dependent on the type of gas, the following symptoms are common with many types of gas poisoning:

- Headache
- Coughing
- Shortness of breath
- Dizziness
- Loss of consciousness



TREATMENT

- Avoid inhaling the gas that the patient inhaled
- Remove patient from gas or vapour source to a well-ventilated area
- Check airway, breathing and circulation
- If no breathing or signs of life, start CPR immediately
- If breathing but unconscious, place patient in the recovery position
- Monitor patient until ambulance arrives

IN THE EVENT OF A MEDICAL EMERGENCY INVOLVING GAS, CALL ER24 ON 084 124.